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CHANDLER MAN SENTENCED FOR MAIL FRAUD AND CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT ARSON

PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Christopher D. Kimbrough, 37, of Chandler, Ind., was sentenced to 18 months in a community corrections work release facility yesterday by Chief U.S. District Judge Richard L. Young, following his guilty plea to mail fraud and conspiracy to commit arson. This case was the result of an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms and Explosives and the Evansville Fire Department.

Kimbrough admitted that he agreed to pay another person \$10,000 to set a June 21, 2008 fire on rental property Kimbrough owned on East Oregon Street. The Evansville Fire Department estimated the loss for the building and contents was \$50,000. Additional investigation found that the property was insured by Kimbrough for \$80,000. The Evansville Fire Department determined that the fire was caused by arson based on multiple points of origin. Kimbrough attempted to collect insurance proceeds on the property after the fire.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Todd S. Shellenbarger, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Young ordered Kimbrough to be on supervised release for 18 months following service of his work release sentence. Kimbrough was ordered to make restitution in the amount of \$14, 818.40 to the Evansville Fire Department and other victims of his offense.

Travis Adams, a co-defendant alleged to have set the fire, has a sentencing hearing scheduled for August 10, 2010.

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